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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE: GOVERNMENT/OIL COMPANY 100 PERCENT
TAKEOVER NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A) KUWAIT 1337; B) DOHA 0233

1. PARA 1 REF A REFERS TO MEETING BETWEEN DEPUTY SECRETARY
INGERSOLL AND GULF CHAIRMAN DORSEY IN WHICH GULF WAS ASKED TO
"STRETCH OUT" TALKS ON 100 PERCENT TAKEOVER OF KUWAIT OIL
INDUSTRY. ACCORDING MESSAGE, GULF VP RALSTON SAID COMPANY
UNDERSTOOD "DESIRABILITY SUCH AS QDK FROM GLOBAL INDUSTRY
STANDPOINT".

2. AS DEPT AWARE FROM EMBASSY REPORTING AND MARCH 31 PIW
ARTICLE, GOQ APPEARS TO ATTACH GREAT DEAL OF IMPORTANCE TO
SPEEDY TAKEOVER OF REMAINING OIL COMPANY EQUITY. FIRST ROUND
OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GOQ AND QATAR PETROLEUM COMPANY (QPC)
SCHEDULED FOR LATER THIS MONTH. QPC SHAREHOLDERS INCLUDE EXXON
AND MOBIL, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM BOTH COMPANIES EXPECTED
TO ATTEND MEETINGS. HAS DEPT OR LONDON MADE APPROACH TO COMPANIES
ALONG LINES OF DEPUTY SECRETARY'S PRESENTATION TO GULF? WE
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WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE FROM DEPT ON U.S. ATTITUDE TOWARD

THESE NEGOTIATIONS.

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